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SUBJ: PRAVDA QUOTES FROM ANTI-SAKHAROV ARTICLES

1. PRAVDA SEPTEMBER 25 REPRINTS TASS STORIES QUOTING L'HUMANITE AND UNITA (ROME) TO EFFECT THAT SAKHAROV PRAISED CHILEAN MILITARY JUNTA IN HIS APPEAL FOR THE LIFE OF POET PABLO NERUDA. TASS ENGLISH SERVICE CARRIED NEARLY IDENTICAL ACCOUNTS SEPTEMBER 22. ONLY ADDITION TO EARLIER TASS REPORT IS EXCERPT FROM L'HUMANITE WHICH STATES THAT SAKHAROV'S LETTER HAS CAUSED FRENCH SCIENTISTS WHO FORMERLY SUPPORTED HIM TO HAVE SECOND THOUGHTS.

2. TIME GAP BETWEEN TASS ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN STORIES MAY REFLECT CURRENT CLOSE SCRUTINY OF PRESS HANDLING OF SAKHAROV. WESTERN JOURNALISTS HAVE HEARD RUMORS THAT PRESS ATTACHES AGAINST SAKHAROV MAY BE REOPENED WITH A NEW TWIST-HE WILL BE PRAISED AS AGREAT SCIENTIST, BUT RIDICULED FOR DELVING IN POLITICAL MATTERS BEYOND HIS COMPREHENSION.
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